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Media Release

Drug ARM WA Inc, an organisation serving the community in Western Australia for over 100 years, has been invited to work in partnership with the South Perth and Perth City Councils, WA Police, St Johns Ambulance and other support services to assist in reducing the harms young people cause themselves, each other, and the community during the now traditional Australia Day celebrations centred on the Swan River foreshore, by providing personal support, information, water, basic first aid, referrals and safe sobering up facilities.

Luke Smith, the coordinator of Drug ARM's response team said 'the staff and volunteers participating in providing support are all experienced workers and volunteers who have practical experience in providing peer support and chill out tents at Leavers Programs over a number of years'.

Drug ARM WA will have staff both north and south of the Swan River and will be available to give information on use and abuse of licit and illicit drugs as well as providing a facility to allow young people who may have over-indulged a safe place to recover.

John Dunn, Acting Executive Director commented that 'Drug ARM is delighted to be invited to participate in the celebration of Australia Day and is keen to work alongside other agencies in ensuring that the Australia Day Skyshow is a safe place for all, especially families'.

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